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Dear Joshua:

You had asked me to wait until fall before arranging the date of your Mueller Memorial Lecture, and so I am writing you now. I had hoped to have your lecture tie in with our teaching of bacterial physiology and genetics, but since that comes during the first two weeks of the semester I'm afraid we'll have to pick a later date. Monod will be giving three Dunham lectures during the third week of October, and I suppose should be separated by a decent interval from any other public lectures on microbiology. That leaves us the latter part of November and December up to the 18th. Since the students will be getting chemotherapy during December, I would prefer to schedule you then, but if it would be more convenient for you please do not hesitate to come in November. In terms of student time, Tuesday or Thursday would be better than Monday or Wednesday. Friday would compete with the weekly biology department colloquium.

I hope you can offer a choice of dates, and I will make sure there is no conflict with any other major functions scheduled around here. We had a very good time when Kits van Heyningen gave the first Mueller lecture last year, and broke local precedent by having a cocktail party in the Faculty Room, with all the academic ancestors looking down disapprovingly from their portraits. ^{get the Dean to} As I probably mentioned in an earlier letter, the department will pay travel expenses and an honorarium of \$100. If Esther would like to come to Boston with you I think we might be able to [^] approve a larger honorarium.

Now that your major era of decision is over, I hope you are having a relatively relaxed time, and will welcome this trip to Boston as a pleasant social interlude.

With best regards to Esther,

Sincerely,

Bernie

Bernard D. Davis

P.S. During the weekend of October 18, while Monod is here, Cy Levinthal and I are planning to have an informal symposium on work in progress in bacterial physiology, patterned after the midwestern meeting I attended at Northwestern a year or two ago. We welcome out of town friends, and if your other travel plans would make it convenient we'd love to see you.